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WORKING GROUP (EWG) DISCUSSION OF ANNEX J, CONSUMER LOGIS-
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SUMMARY: US, FRG, AND UK INTRODUCED THE MAJORITY OF CHANGES
TO THE CONSUMER LOGISTICS PORTION OF THE EWG COMPREHENSIVE
REPORT. DESIGNATION OF A "LOG COMMAND" IN AFCENT MET STRONG
FRG RESISTANCE, WHILE NATO COMMAND CONTROLLED STOCK OF
MUNITIONS WAS RECOMMENDED FOR FURTHER STUDY BY FRG, UK
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AND BELGIUM. MOST KEY US CHANGES CONTAINED IN REFTL WILL
BE PLACED IN BRACKETS IN SECOND DRAFT, TO BE DISCUSSED
BY EWG APRIL 21. END SUMMARY.

1. EWG AMENDMENTS (THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS ARE KEYED TO
ANNEX J OF REF A):

- A. PARA 1: AT THE SUGGESTION OF UK REP (PETERS), EWG DELETED FIRST SENTENCE.
- B. PARA 3, LINE 3: EWG ACCEPTED THE PROPOSAL OF FRG REP (VON SANDRART) TO SUBSTITUTE "IMPROVE" FOR "INTEGRATE".
- C. PARA 4, LINE 6: FRG REP RECOMMENDED THAT EWG SUBSTITUTE "WITHIN HEADQUARTERS" FOR "IN" AND STRONGLY OPPOSED US PROPOSED CHANGE, WHICH WAS PLACED IN BRACKETS. BELGIAN REP (QUANIER) FAVORED THE FRG POSITION WHILE NETHERLANDS REP (WYNAENDTS) AND UK REP WERE PREPARED TO ACCEPT THE VERSION IN DRAFT. THE EWG ACCEPTED THE SENTENCE IN US CHANGE (REF B, PARA 11B).
- D. PARA 5: THE EWG AGREED TO UK REP'S SUGGESTION IN LINE 6 TO SUBSTITUTE "NEED FOR" FOR "PROVISION" AND FRG REP'S SUGGESTION IN LINE 7, TO ADD AFTER AGENCY: "AS PART OF EXISTING AGENCIES, ...".
- E. PARA 7: BELGIAN REP SAID THAT HE COULD NOT ACCEPT COMMAND CONTROLLED STOCK OF SELECTED AMMUNITION ITEMS. FRG AND UK REPS STATED THAT FURTHER STUDY WAS REQUIRED AND NEXT DRAFT WILL CARRY THESE RESERVATIONS IN A FOOTNOTE. THE EWG ACCEPTED THE US CHANGE (REF B, PARA 11C).
- F. PARA 8, LINE 4: THE EWG ACCEPTED FRG REP'S SUG-
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GESTION TO ADD "THE NATIONAL SAFETY REGULATIONS TO HANDLE SUFFICIENT AMMUNITION QUANTITIES IN PRESENT PORT FACILITIES" AFTER "INADEQUACY OF" AND DELETE "AND NATIONAL SAFETY REGULATIONS" IN THE NEXT LINE. COMMENT: NATIONAL SAFETY REGULATIONS ARE A PROBLEM BUT ARE PROBABLY JUSTIFIED DUE TO THE RISK INVOLVED. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT FRG WILL ACCEPT THE POSSIBLE LOSS OF PORT FACILITIES AND CONGESTED AREAS IN PEACETIME AS A RESULT OF WHOLESALE LOWERING OR WAIVING OF AMMUNITION SAFETY STANDARDS. HOWEVER, IF THIS CHANGE IS AN ATTEMPT TO SIDETRACK THE PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL AMMUNITION PORT FACILITIES, WE ARE OPPOSED. WE WILL FOLLOW-UP ON THIS QUESTION. END COMMENT.

- G. PARA 10: THE EWG ACCEPTED UK REP'S AMENDMENT TO LINE 2, TO SUBSTITUTE FOR "FULLY IMPLEMENTED" THE FOLLOWING: "FULLY STAFFED AND AGREED RECOMMENDATIONS IMPLEMENTING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE." THE NEXT DRAFT WILL CARRY AS FOOTNOTE THE FOLLOWING UK PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE SECOND SENTENCE WHICH WOULD BE AMENDED TO READ: "THE STUDY OF THE NEED FOR NATIONAL WAR RESERVE STOCKS... INCLUDING REINFORCEMENTS, TO BE BUILT UP TO 45 COMBAT DAYS, SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE; THE

PROVISION...FACILITIES FOR 30 DAYS' SUPPLY...COMMON
FUNDING."

- H. PARA 11. FRG REP RECOMMENDED THAT PARA 11
(HEAVY EQUIPMENT RESERVES) BE DELETED SINCE THE PROPOSAL
WOULD BE TOO EXPENSIVE. NORWEGIAN REP (HEIDENSTROM)
STATED THAT IT WAS NOT COST EFFECTIVE. US AND UK REPS
PREFERRED TO KEEP THIS PARAGRAPH. DANISH REP
(MOGENSEN) STATED THAT THIS ITEM NEEDED FURTHER
STUDY WHILE THE BELGIAN REP AGREED WITH FRG AND

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NORWEGIAN REPS. MC REP (CANTLAY) REMINDED MEMBERS
THAT THESE RESERVE STOCKS WERE ALREADY AGREED IN MC 55-2.
- I. PARA 13(A): THE EWG ACCEPTED FRG REP CHANGE
TO LINE 3 TO SUBSTITUTE "IMPROVED" FOR "INTEGRATED".
EWG CHAIRMAN (DSYG PETRIGNANI) REPLIED IN RESPONSE TO
US CHANGE (REF B, PARA 11D) THAT ALL QUESTIONS RELATED
TO STAFF IMPLICATIONS OR INCREASES WOULD BE TAKEN UP
IN THEIR ENTIRETY BY THE SYG AND THEREFORE, THEY SHOULD
BE LEFT IN ABEYANCE NOW. HE FURTHER STATED THAT A
PAPER ON PER SONNEL ACTIONS THAT HE HAD PREVIOUSLY
PROMISED, WAS STILL FORTHCOMING. COMMENT: WE WILL
PROVIDE OUR COMMENTS SEPT. END COMMENT. SHAPE
REP (SCHWEITZER) STATED THAT THERE IS ALREADY ENOUGH

ON NATO'S PLATE UNTIL AFTER THE SUMMIT. THE EWG
ACCEPTED US CHANGE IN BRACKETS.

- J. PARA 13(C): SECOND DRAFT WILL BE CONSISTENT
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WITH PARA 1C ABOVE, AND IN ADDITION WILL CARRY
TURKISH FOOTNOTE.

- K. PARA 13(D): UK REP RECOMMENDED THAT THE FIRST
TWO WORDS OF THIS PARAGRAPH - "AGREE THAT" BE CHANGED
TO "AIM TO ESTABLISH". MC REP REMINDED DELEGATES THAT
NATIONS AGREED TO THIS ITEM IN MC 55-2. NEW DRAFT
WILL CARRY UK FOOTNOTE.

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- L. PARA 13(E): ONCE AGAIN THE UK, FRG, BELGIAN, AND
CANADIAN (OLSON) REPS SUGGESTED FURTHER STUDY. THE
NETHERLANDS REP RECOMMENDED THAT EWG DELETE "IN THE MID
TERM" IN LINE 4-5. THE US PROPOSAL PARA 11F, REF B, WAS
PLACED IN BRACKETS AND THREE VERSIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH
WILL APPEAR IN THE NEXT PAPER.

- M. PARA 13(F): NORWEGIAN REP AGREED ONLY "IN PRINCIPLE"
AND A NORWEGIAN FOOTNOTE WILL BE IN NEXT DRAFT.

- N. PARA 13(G): EWG AGREED TO BRACKET US PROPOSAL TO
DELETE "IN PRINCIPLE".

- O. PARA 13(L): EWG AGREED WITH UK REP TO DELETE
"AGREED ON" IN LINE 3-4. FRG REP RECOMMENDED TWO ADDITIONS
WHICH WERE FOOTNOTED:

- AGREE TO 45 DAYS JET, GROUND AND NAVAL FUELS IN DIS-
PERSED, PROTECTIVE OR HARDENED FACILITIES.

- AGREE THAT ARRANGEMENTS TO GUARANTEE FUEL REQUIREMENTS
PRIOR TO HOSTILITIES SHOULD BE MADE.

- P. PARA 14: ACCEPTED FRG RECOMMENDATION TO SUBSTITUTE
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"FOR" FOR "OF" IN LINE 3.

2. COMMENT: WE WILL BE EXAMINING REVISED ANNEX J IN THE
LIGHT OF BEST TACTICS FOR ADVANCING US OVERALL OBJECTIVES
FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE REPORT AS A WHOLE, AND BY OOB TUESDAY,

APRIL 18, WILL FORWARD OUR RECOMMENDATIONS ON WHERE WE
SHOULD HOLD FIRM AT THE APRIL 21 EWG MEETING. END COMMENT.
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